THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

W.P.No.21382 of 2005

Date:25.01.2006

Shaik Basha.

----------Petitioner

The Vice Chairman & Managing Director and another.

----------Respondents

ORDER:

The petitioner responded to a Notification issued by the A.P.S.R.T.C., in the year 1997, for the purpose of selection and appointment of Drivers. Though the petitioner was found to be fit in all respects, he was not employed as a Driver, on the ground that the driving licence held by him was not genuine. The petitioner states that he has since obtained a genuine driving licence and that though several candidates similarly situated as him were issued orders of appointment, he was denied the benefit of the same.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents.

The petitioner could not be selected as a Driver in the year 1997, on the ground that the driving licence held by him was not genuine. He states that he has since obtained a valid and genuine driving licence. The Corporation issued a Circular, dated 11.08.2000, providing for reconsideration of the cases of the Drivers, subject to their production of valid and genuine driving licences. The petitioner has cited instances of some persons, who were extended such benefit. This Court cannot record any definite finding on these aspects. The petitioner can make a representation to the respondents, duly enclosing the copy of the driving licence. In such an event, the respondents shall examine the same with reference to the selection process of the Drivers, which has

been undertaken in the year 1997. In case, the driving licence held by the petitioner is found to be genuine, he can be considered for being engaged as a Driver on contract basis, as was done in the cases of other candidates.

Hence, the Writ Petition is disposed of, leaving it open to the petitioner to make a representation to the respondents, duly enclosing a copy of the driving licence, which has since been obtained by him. On receipt of the same, the respondents shall examine it, and in case the driving licence is found to be genuine and the petitioner was found to be fit in all other respects, they shall consider the feasibility of engaging the petitioner as Driver on contract basis. This exercise shall be completed within a period of three (3) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

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25.01.2006

Note: Issue C.C. in one week.

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